

Current Security Threats

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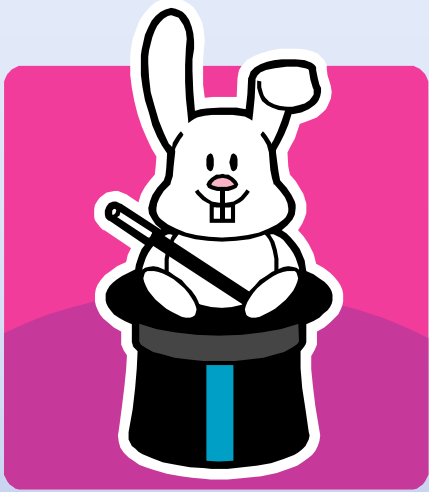
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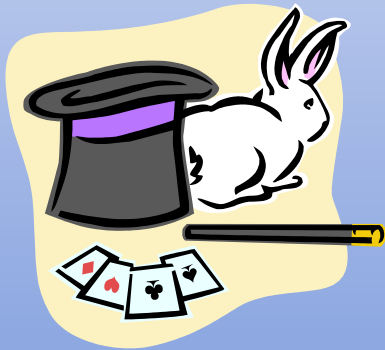


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Outline – Current Security Threats

- Advanced Persistent Threats (APT)
- Cloud Computing
- Mobile Devices
- Social Engineering
- Spear Phishing
- Whaling
- Insider
- Review



Advanced Persistent Threats (APT)

Don't ignore them!



- Adaptable
- Move around the network
- Root themselves in systems
- Sophisticated
- Fool security tools
- stealthy

APT Attack on RSA

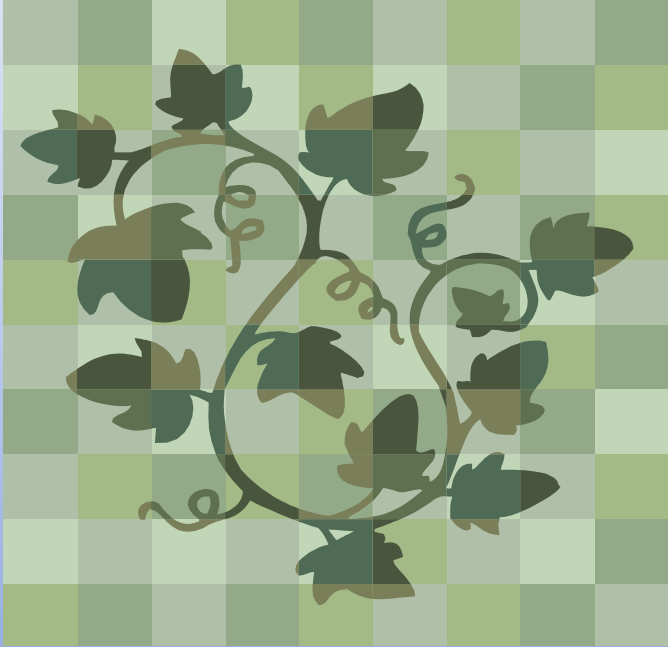
Started with 2 email messages with an attachment

Reconnaissance to collect information about systems

Attack was modified to fit the target environment

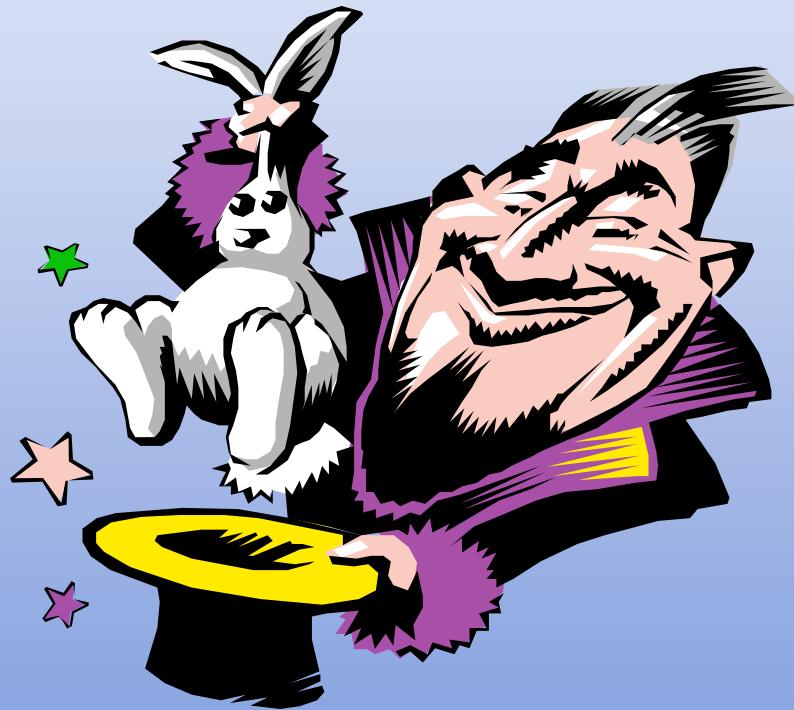


APT – Poison Ivy



A remote administration utility that bypasses normal security protections to secretly control a program, computer, or network.

Advanced Persistent Threats



Cloud Computing



Risks

1. VENDOR SECURITY - Transparency vs. Secrecy
2. ISOLATION/SEGREGATION - Providers must ensure that multiple customers do not interfere with each other, maliciously or unintentionally
3. DATA LOCATION - Be sure your vendor contract stipulates any restrictions you may have on the physical location of where your data is stored such as other countries
4. MANAGEMENT INTERFACE - How is the system administered by the company – via the Internet? Do they use two factor authentication? Are administrators monitored?
5. REPUTATION SHARING - Bad behavior by one cloud customer may impact others using the cloud. For example a customer engaging in spamming may cause a common cloud IP address to be black listed.



Risks - Continued

5. PROVIDER VIABILITY - How long has the provider been in business? What happens to your organization's applications and data in the event that the provider goes out of business, is purchased by another business, or when the contract runs out?
6. COMPLIANCE - Placement of data in the cloud does not eliminate an organization's need to meet legal and regulatory requirements such as PCI or HIPAA.
7. DATA LOSS/LEAKAGE/CHANGED – Backup and recovery – timeline for restoration. How is information removed when equipment is replaced?
8. LOGGING – protection of audit logs. How can they be accessed for audit purposes?



Risks - Continued

- 9. SECURITY INCIDENTS – incident management
- 10. Cloud Sprawl – unauthorized acquisition of cloud services



Cloud Computing Trick



Mobile Devices



Management:

- Policy enforcement
- Authentication Control
- Remote Lock
- Remote Locate
- Remote wipe

Mobile Devices



Security Controls:

- Patching
- Anti-virus/malware
- Firewall
- App control

Mobile Devices



Other Concerns:

- Device replacement
- State data on personal devices
- Need for encryption
- Too many different devices to protect them all the same

Mobile Devices



Solution:

- Risk Assessment
- Policy and procedures

What is the Greatest Security Risk to Organizations Today?



EMPLOYEES!!!!



This is the reason Education and Awareness is so important.



“Seven Times” Rule for Education

Greatest Security Risk



The Human Factor



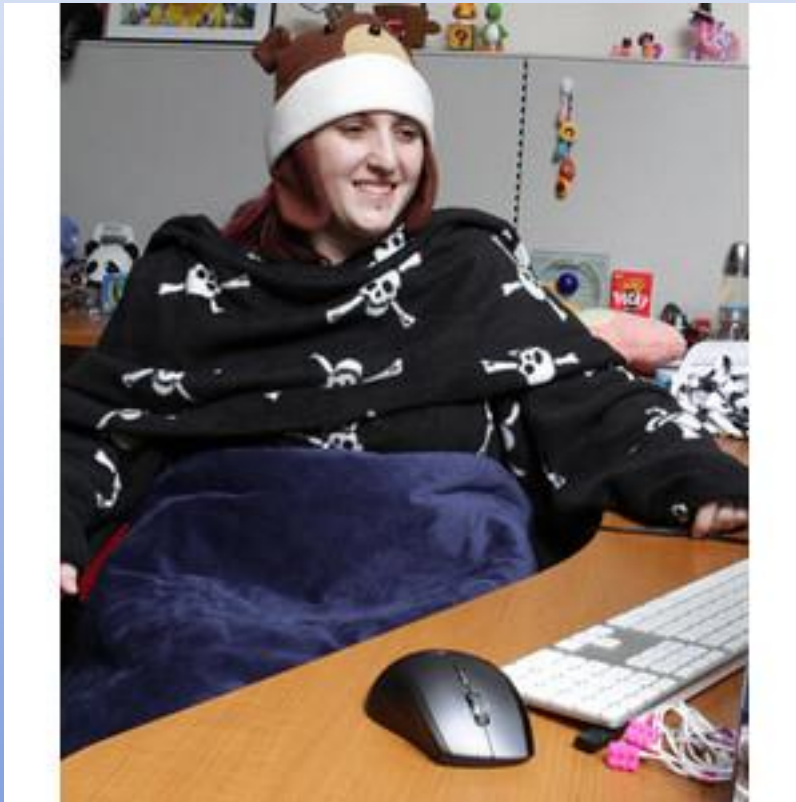
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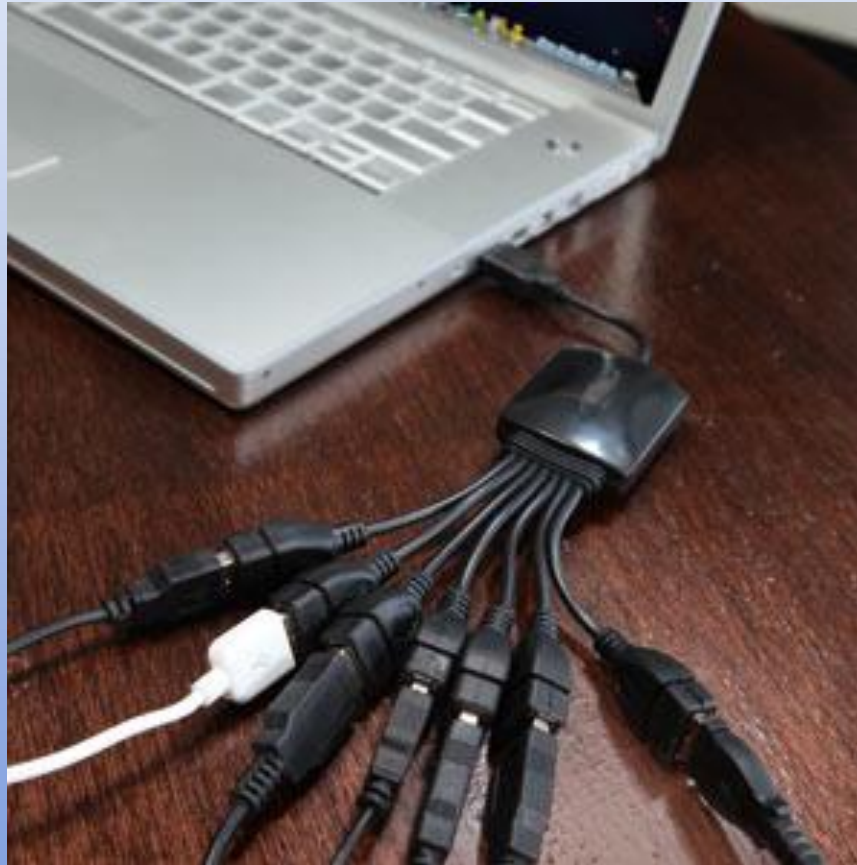
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Social Engineering

The practice of obtaining confidential information by manipulating and/or deceiving people.



Examples of Social Engineering

Phishing Email or web site –
bank, job layoff, something
appealing

USB Stick

Telephone – Help Desk,
System Administrator,
Director



Examples of Social Engineering

- Your bank account has been compromised. Click here to get your money returned to you.
- I sent you some pictures of my family, click here.
- Someone has a secret crush on you! Download this application to find out who it is!
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Spear Phishing – Target Phishing



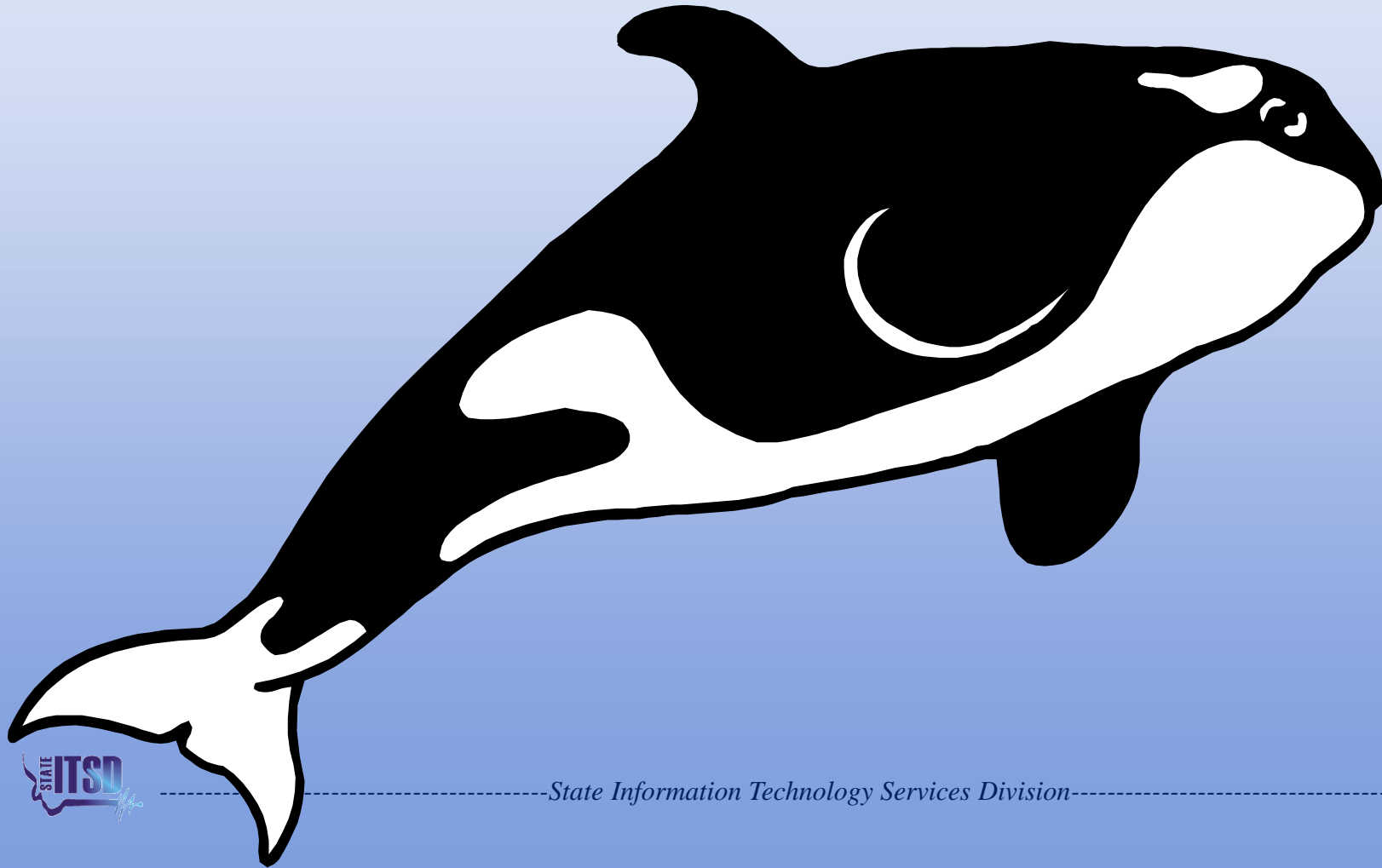
- Email from trusted colleagues
- Email from Human Resources
- Email from bank

Top 10 Holiday Phishing Scams



1. Football – live streaming media
2. Secret Santa Gifts
3. I-tunes Gift Card
4. E-cards
5. Survey – Gift Card
6. QR (Quick Response) Code on Smart Phones
7. Direct Deposit did not work
8. Parcel has arrived at the Post Office, UPS, Fed-X – use postal label
9. Flight Confirmations
10. Holiday Screen Savers

Whaling



Insider Threat

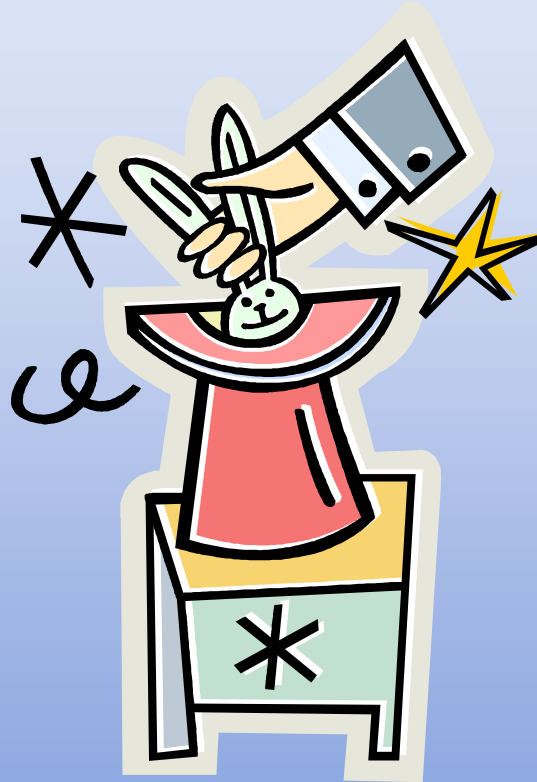


- 43% of malicious attacks are insiders
- Insider incidents usually result in more damage
- 80% of successful malware threats required some human action

Human Firewall



The Security Star

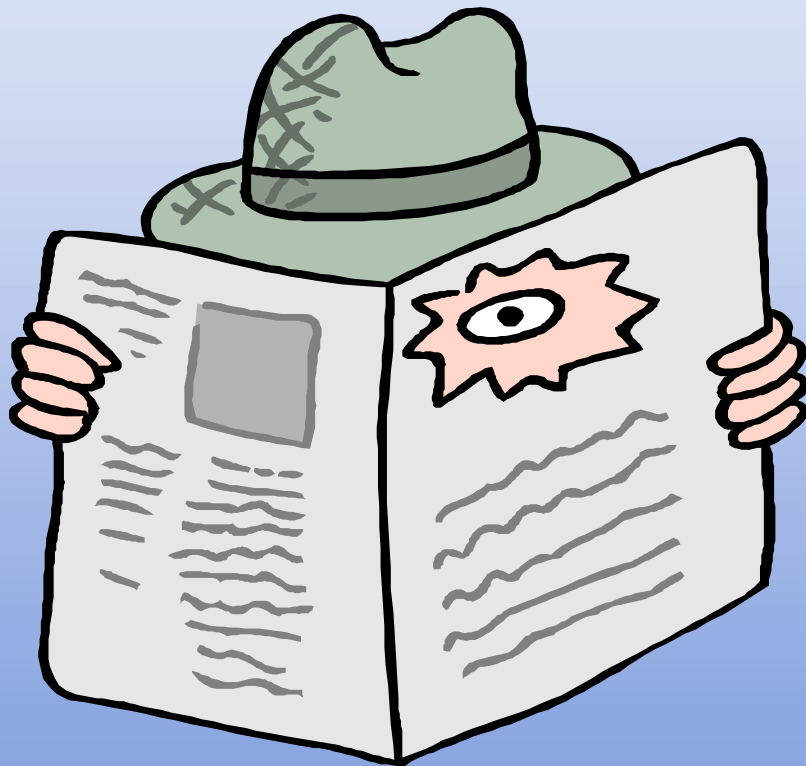


Resources

- CSO Magazine
- MS-ISAC
- NASTD Security Special Interest Group
- NetworkWorld
- ISACA
- SANS



Final Comment



**Threats are
always
changing so
keep an eye on
your systems.**

Final Trick



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ANY QUESTIONS?

